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As a below-named inventor, I hereby declare that:

My residence, post office address and citizenship are as stated below next to my name.

I believe I am the original, first and sole inventor (if only one name is listed below) or an original, first and joint inventor (if several names are listed below) of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled:

Teardrop Film Cooled Blade

☒ the specification of which is attached hereto OR

☐ was filed on _____ as Application Serial No. _____ or PCT International Application Number _____ and was amended on [date] (if applicable).

I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above-identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment referred to above.

I acknowledge the duty to disclose information which is material to the examination of this application in accordance with 37 CFR §1.56.

I hereby claim foreign priority benefits under 35 U.S.C. §119 (a)-(d) or (f) or 365(b) of any foreign application(s) for patent or inventor's or plant breeder's rights certificate(s), or 365(a) of any PCT international application which designated at least one country other than the United States of America, listed below, and have also identified below, by checking the box, any foreign application for patent, inventor's or plant breeder's rights certificate(s), or any PCT international application having a filing date before that of the application on which priority is claimed:

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As a named inventor, I hereby appoint Practitioners at Customer Number 29827; and Ronald E. Myrick (Reg. No. 26,315), Henry J. Policinski, (Reg. No. 26, 621) and Scott R. Hayden, (Reg. No. 41,821) jointly, and each of them severally, my/our attorney(s) or agents(s), with full power of substitution, delegation and revocation, to prosecute this application, to make alterations and amendments therein, to receive the patent and to transact all business in the Patent and Trademark Office connected therewith.

I hereby direct that all correspondence and telephone calls in connection with this application be addressed to Practitioners at Customer Number 29827.

I hereby declare that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further, statements were made with the knowledge that willfully false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under 18 U.S.C. §1001 and that all such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issued thereon.

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XXXXXXThe examiner has also failed to address the specific
combinations of the various claims, which renders the
rejection unsubstantiated under the statutory and MPEP
requirements.

XXXXXXNevertheless, Applicant has chosen to amend the claims to
better distinguish over the appeared referencesXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX

XXXXXXMoreover, claim 21, independent claim 21, has been derived
from claims 1, 3, 5, and 6 to recite the label patch
configuration shown in figures 1-3. Claims 1, 5, and 6 have
therefore been canceled, without prejudice, and claim 2 has
been corresponding amended to depend from claim 21.

XXXXXXIn particular, the species previously recited claim 8 is
best illustrated in figure 2 and includes adhesive and release
layers on opposite sides of the label patch and first
page as described in para. 20. This configuration enjoys
advantages of manufacture, construction, and use.

XXXXXXIn contrast, both Flynn and Scott disclose single-side
adhesive without any relevance to Applicant's claims. There
appears to be no problem in Flynn for which any solution of
Scott would be relevant to recombine them in any manner
relevant to Applicant's amended claimsXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX

XXXXXXThe various claims now dependent from added claim 21
recite additional features in combination therewith, for which
the examiner has failed to provide any relevant analysis as
required under the MPEP.

XXXXXXIndependent claim 22 has been derived from claims 1, 3,
12, and 16 to recite the liner patch configuration shown in
figures 4 and 5. Claims 4, 12, and 16 have therefore been
canceled, without prejudice, and claim 13 has been added to re-introduce the
features of claim 4, and claim 13 has been amended to depend
from claim 22.

XXXXXXFigure 5 illustrates in particular the release void which
permits the recited permanent bond for securing the liner
patch as described in para. 48.